

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Attorney Docket No. 2005_0459A
Takeshi KAWAZOE et al. : **Confirmation No. 2807**
Serial No. 10/528,150 : Group Art Unit 1627
Filed March 17, 2005 : Examiner Sahar Javanmard
EXTERNAL PREPARATION FOR : **Mail Stop: AMENDMENT**
INHIBITING KELOID FORMATION

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of February 4, 2010, the time for responding thereto being extended for three months in accordance with the fee submitted herewith, Applicants submit the following remarks in support of the patentability of the presently claimed invention over the disclosures of the references relied upon by the Examiner in rejecting the claims. Further and favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of these remarks.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 5-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Konishi et al. (US 5,916,918) in view of Capelli-Schellpfeffer (WO 01/70210).

This rejection is respectfully traversed.

The Position of the Examiner

The Examiner takes the position that Konishi et al. teach application of a topical preparation containing acetylsalicylic acid in a concentration of 0.1 to 10% by weight to an injured region of skin, specifically in a rat model of bedsore and a rat model of ambustion and burn, and have found that it showed remedy of the injured tissues in those injuries and inhibited